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Japan-Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) Mission Computing Upgrade (MCU)

WASHINGTON, September 26, 2013 – The Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress today of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Japan of an E-767 Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) Mission Computing Upgrade (MCU) and associated equipment, parts, training and logistical support for an estimated cost of \$950 million.

The Government of Japan has requested a possible sale of an E-767 Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) Mission Computing Upgrade (MCU) that includes 4 Electronic Support Measure (ESM) Systems, 8 AN/UPX-40 Next Generation Identify Friend or Foe (NGIFF), 8 AN/APX-119 IFF Transponder, and 4 KIV-77 Cryptographic Computers. Also included are design and kit production, support and test equipment, provisioning, spare and repair parts, personnel training and training equipment, publications and technical documentation, U.S. Government and contractor engineering and technical support, installation and checkout, and other related elements of program support. The estimated cost is \$950 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States. Japan is one of the major political and economic powers in East Asia and the Western Pacific and a key ally of the United States in ensuring the peace and stability of this region. The U.S. Government shares bases and facilities in Japan. This proposed sale is consistent with U.S. objectives and the 1960 Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security.

The proposed sale will provide Japan with an upgraded AWACS command and control capability. This upgrade will allow Japan's AWACS fleet to be more compatible with the U.S. Air Force AWACS fleet baseline and provide for greater interoperability. Japan will use this enhanced capability to provide for its self-defense.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractor will be Boeing Integrated Defense Systems in Seattle, Washington. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require multiple trips to Japan involving U.S. Government and contractor representatives for modification kit installations, testing, technical reviews/support, and training over a period of eight years.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

This notice of a potential sale is required by law and does not mean the sale has been concluded.